

Carlton Town Parish Newsletter

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Parish Council Website

If you would like a village event displayed on the parish website or newsletter, please contact the Parish Clerk. Please remember that you can refer to the website for Parish Council minutes, meeting agendas, information papers, newsletters and general village information.

what3words

Living in a rural community means that if we have an emergency situation it may be difficult to describe to the emergency services exactly where we are. what3words has divided the world up into 3m squares which can direct emergency services to the precise location of an emergency. Please take a look at the full details overleaf – it really could be a life saver!



Christmas Events in Coverdale

Monday 9th December – WI Over 65's meal. 6.30pm Coverdale Memorial Hall. Booking essential ASAP – Tel Kimberley Brereton on 640487.

Friday 13th December – Community Christmas Party (please note change of date), 7.30m-11pm Coverdale Memorial Hall Annexe.

Monday 16th December – Carol Singing in the Foresters Arms, Carlton. 8pm. Mince Pies and Mulled Wine. Proceeds to YAS.

Saturday 21st December – Children's Celebration of Christmas, 2pm Carlton Chapel.

Sunday 22nd December – Carols by Candlelight., 6pm Coverham Church.

Monday 23rd December – Carol Singing around the village – Weather permitting, Please contact Margaret Simpson on 640200 for more info

Saturday 28th December – Panto Mother Goose, Coverdale Memorial Hall 1.30pm. Tickets from Caroline Harrison 640663.



Parish Council Meetings

The next meeting will be held on **Thursday, 16th January 2019** in the Annexe of Coverdale Memorial Hall, Carlton and will commence at 7.30pm. All are welcome to attend.

Village Precept 2020/21

Following discussions at the last Parish Council meeting, the Council have resolved to maintain the village precept for 2020/21 at £10,000.

Memorial Hall Bookings

Bookings for the Memorial Hall and Annexe can be made through Rachel Smith from Melmerby on 640275 or email rachel.philip.smith@gmail.com

The annexe is ideal for small parties and meetings and can be hired for £6/hr. The main hall can be hired for larger events at £8/hr.

Colder Weather on its way!!

If you are struggling to get out for shopping or prescriptions or need assistance getting to an appointment at the surgery in Leyburn, please call our Village Help coordinator, Margaret Simpson (☎ 640200), who has a list of willing volunteers who can help! If you are happy to be added to the list of helpers, then we would also be pleased to hear from you. In Margaret's absence the list of helpers is kept by Marina Briggs (☎640058).



Members of the Water Committee:

John Herbert, Abbots Thorn (☎ 640620)

Howard Thomas, Little Side (☎ 640689)

Peter Hill, Haydn Carr (☎ 640276)

Jenny Walker, Converted Garage (☎ 640676)

Barry Syson, Granary Flat (☎ 640036)

Village Water Supply

Over the winter months please check the lagging on your pipes and do not run water through taps to stop them from freezing. If you are not going to occupy your home please think about draining your water system. If you see water where you haven't before, please report it to the water committee, as it may be a leak! Please remember that leaks on the household service pipe connected to the water main are the householders' responsibility. If you cannot be contacted the Council will have leaks repaired by a contractor and charge for any work carried out.



Merry Christmas and a Peaceful New Year and best wishes for 2019 from all the Councillors!

If you would like to include an item in the March Village Newsletter, please contact Marina Briggs, the Parish Clerk, as above.

what3words for Emergencies

Why might I need the what3words app in an emergency?

Emergencies can happen anywhere, at any time day or night and often in unfamiliar places. This can make describing your location very difficult if you need to call 999. Having a precise location can help emergency services find you much faster, and what3words is a way for you to describe your location, accurate to 3x3m square, using just 3 words. These 3 words can then be shared with and used by emergency services, to find you easily.

What is what3words?

what3words is a really simple way to talk about location. It has divided the world into 3m x 3m squares, each with a unique 3 word address. It means that now everyone, everywhere can refer to any precise location – from a specific building entrance to a point on a hiking trail or a remote spot in a field – using just three words. what3words is available as a free mobile app for iOS and Android and works offline. It is also available at map.what3words.com. what3words is global. It is available in 27 different languages, with more in development.

How does the app work?

what3words uses GPS signal to convert GPS coordinates to 3 word addresses.

To find your 3 word address or one of a location near you:

- Open the what3words app or map.what3words.com and tap the 'current location' arrow.
- Enable location services if prompted.
- The 3 word address will appear:
 - In the what3words app: at the bottom of the screen.
 - In the what3words website: at the centre of the screen.

To find the 3 word address for another location:

- Enter its street address into the search bar.
- A 3 word address will appear at the bottom of the screen in the app, and in the centre of the screen on the online map.
- To improve accuracy, zoom and move the map to reposition the square.
- To identify the 3 word address of an exact location, switching to satellite view is recommended.
- The 3 word address will update as you reposition the map. Once you have selected the exact location, note down or save the 3 word address.

For more instructions on using the app, check out our 'How to' videos on YouTube.

How does what3words work for emergency situations?

In an emergency situation, a person can find the 3 word address for their current location by opening the what3words app or visiting the link map.what3words.com in a browser window. They then click the 'current location' arrow in the top right of the screen and provide the 3 words given on screen to the 999 call handler. Some forces in the UK have their control room systems enabled to allow the call handler to send the caller a text message with a link to map.what3words.com. The caller is then prompted to open this link and follow the steps above.

Has what3words already been used for emergency response and is it working?

Several emergency and rescue services across the UK are already beginning to use what3words, with training ongoing in more control rooms around the country. We suggest asking your local service if you're unsure.

Successful use cases have included:

- Road traffic accidents in rural areas
- Identifying location of someone who had fallen in a river
- Hikers who had got lost
- A victim of kidnapping was located safely
- Victim of a horse-riding accident in open country
- Reporting forest fire locations

In each of these instances, what3words made it easy for the emergency services to identify exactly where the incident was, and help was quickly dispatched to its precise location.

Do people need a Wifi signal or mobile data to use the app?

If you have the what3words app installed on your phone it works offline, so you can discover your 3 word address without Wifi or mobile data. The map might not download but the 3 word address will still be shown.

When people do not have the what3words app in an emergency, call-handlers from some forces can send a text message with a link to the what3words online map, which opens in a mobile internet browser. For this to work, the recipient would need Wifi or mobile data.

In the case of an emergency, to find your 3 word address easily and give emergency services your exact location, we recommend downloading the free what3words app